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SUBJ: RHODESIA: ANC EXECUTIVE MEETS

1. AFRICAN NATIONAL COUNCIL (ANC) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, MEETING IN SALISBURY APRIL 27, ANNOUNCED ANC WOULD HOLD TALKS WITH RHODESIAN GOVT ONLY IF IT " FULFILLED ALL THE CONDITIONS AGREED TO IN LUSAKA." ANC SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO CONTINUED EXECUTIONS OF CONVICTED GUERRILLAS AND GOVT FAILURE TO RELEASE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS. ACCORDING TO REPORTS ON SOUTH AFRICAN RADIO APRIL 28, RHODESIAN OFFICIALS HAVE DENIED THAT GOVT AGREED TO ALL CONDITIONS REFERRED TO BY ANC.

2. ANC PRESIDENT ABEL MUZOREWA TOLD EXECUTIVE THAT HE HAD RECEIVED LETTER FROM RHODESIAN PRIME MINISTER IAN SMITH SEVERAL DAYS EARLIER INDICATING THAT GOVT WILL RE-DETAIN FORMER UNCLASSIFIED

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ZANU LEADER REV. NDABANINGI SITHOLE IF HE RETURNS TO RHODESIA.

SITHOLE, CURRENTLY IN LUSAKA, WAS RELEASED FROM DETENTION TO ATTEND OAU TALKS IN DAR ES SALAM. ACCORDING TO REPORT APRIL 28 RAND DAILY MAIL, SITHOLE TOLD PRESS HE EVENTUALLY WILL RETURN TO SALISBURY, " PRISON OR NO PRISON."

3. REPORTS HAVE APPEARED IN SOUTH AFRICAN PRESS THAT BISHOP MUZOREWA WILL MEET WITH SMITH IN SALISBURY MAY 1 OR 2. IT IS NOT CLEAR AT THIS TIME WHETHER ANC CONDITIONS ANNOUNCED APRIL 27 PRECLUDE THIS MEETING FROM TAKING PLACE. IN ANY CASE, ANC SAYS IT WILL SEND DELEGATION THIS WEEK TO INFORM SMITH OF DEMANDS.

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